

FIFTEENTH LEGISLATURE.

SKETCHES

OF

LEGISLATORS

AND

STATE OFFICERS

1876-1878.

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TWENTIETH DISTRICT.

Counties.—Austin, Washington and Burleson.

SENATOR JOHN W. CARROLL emigrated to Texas from his native State, North Carolina, nineteen years ago. He is now forty-three years old, and resides at Caldwell, in Burleson county, amidst the pleasures and associations of a happy family circle. He is a professional merchant, and is carrying on a fine mercantile business in Caldwell, where he has been quite successful in business enterprises.

Mr. Carroll is a gentleman of modesty, and of most agreeable demeanor, and one calculated to elicit public confidence. He is possessed of excellent judgment, and of strictly conscientious views; is firm in purpose and unflinching in his duty. No wonder, then, that his people have at times seen in him the character of man whom they desired to trust.

in state legislation. He was a member of the lower house of the Thirteenth Legislature, in which body he naturally succeeded in winning a most enviable reputation. He has always closely allied himself with the Democratic party, and was nominated by the Democratic convention of his district for the State Senatorship. The Twentieth Senatorial District polled nearly nine thousand votes, and out of this number Mr. Carroll obtained a handsome majority of 1269 votes.

He is a quiet member, but a diligent committeeman, and is chairman of the Committee on Treasurer's and Comptroller's Departments.

Mr. Carroll is a man of fine personage, and is decidedly pleasing in his manners.